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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY Federal Energy Regulatory Commission

Alaska Electric Light & Power Company

Project No. 2307-064

Notice of Intent to File License Application, Filing of Pre-Application Document, and Approving Use of the Traditional Licensing Process

- a. Type of Filing: Notice of Intent to File License Application and Request to Use the Traditional Licensing Procedures.
- b. Project No.: 2307-064
- c. Date Filed: March 29, 2013
- d. Submitted By: Alaska Electric Light & Power Company (AEL&P)
- e. Name of Project: Salmon and Annex Creek Hydroelectric Project
- f. Location: On Salmon and Annex Creeks, in the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska. The project occupies 692.6 acres of United States lands administered by the U.S. Forest Service.
- g. Filed Pursuant to: 18 CFR 5.3 of the Commission's regulations
- h. Potential Applicant Contact: K. Scott Willis, Vice President, Generation, AEL&P, 5601 Tonsgard Court, Juneau, AK 99801; (907) 463-6396; e-mail scott.willis@aelp.com
- i. Contact: Suzanne Novak at (202) 502-6665; or e-mail at suzanne.novak@ferc.gov.
- j. AEL&P filed its request to use the Traditional Licensing Process on March 29, 2013. AEL&P provided public notice of its request on March 29, 2013. In a letter dated May 1, 2013, the Director of the Division of Hydropower Licensing approved AEL&P's request to use the Traditional Licensing Process.
- k. With this notice, we are initiating informal consultation with: (a) the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries under section 7 of the Endangered Species Act and the joint agency regulations thereunder at 50 CFR, Part 402; (b) NOAA Fisheries

under section 305(b) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act and implementing regulations at 50 CFR 600.920; and (c) the Alaska State Historic Preservation Officer, as required by section 106, National Historical Preservation Act, and the implementing regulations of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation at 36 CFR 800.2.

- 1. With this notice, we are designating AEL&P as the Commission's non-federal representative for carrying out informal consultation, pursuant to section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, section 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, and section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.
- m. AEL&P filed a Pre-Application Document (PAD; including a proposed process plan and schedule) with the Commission, pursuant to 18 CFR § 5.6 of the Commission's regulations.
- n. A copy of the PAD is available for review at the Commission in the Public Reference Room or may be viewed on the Commission's website (http://www.ferc.gov), using the "eLibrary" link. Enter the docket number, excluding the last three digits in the docket number field to access the document. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support at FERCONlineSupport@ferc.gov or toll free at 1-866-208-3676, or for TTY, (202) 502-8659. A copy is also available for inspection and reproduction at the address in paragraph h.
- o. The licensee states its unequivocal intent to submit an application for a new license for Project No. 2307-064. Pursuant to 18 CFR 16.8, 16.9, and 16.10 each application for a new license and any competing license applications must be filed with the Commission at least 24 months prior to the expiration of the existing license. All applications for license for this project must be filed by August 31, 2016.
- p. Register online at http://www.ferc.gov/docs-filing/esubscription.asp to be notified via e-mail of new filing and issuances related to this or other pending projects. For assistance, contact FERC Online Support.

Dated: April 30, 2013

Kimberly D. Bose, Secretary.

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